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THE BOSSEMEYER FAMILY
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To My Mother

Laura Ann Bossemeyer

CORRECTIONS & ADDENDA

p. 2: c. Lester Otto d. Santa Monica, Calif., May 2, 1945; bur. Forest Lawn, Los Angeles, May 5

p. 4: c'. Born to Hester Elizabeth and John Frederick Hull: John, in American Falls, Ida., Jan. 17, 1946

a'. Born to John Edward Knepper and Hilda Jeanne Koon: Ralph Bryan, in Miami, Fla., Aug. 19, 1945

p.8: I. Charles Gaumer (1795) d. in Southampton Twp., Somerset Co., Pa., in 1845

IN RE: ESTATE OF CHARLES GAUMER No. 1-1845

To the Orphans Court of Somerset County

The petition of Sally Gaumer widow of C. Gaumer decd

Respectfully sheweth that your petitioners said husband lately died leaving issue 4 children viz Peter who is going on 15 yrs Jesse, Danil Sarah and the last three being under the age of 14 yrs.

That no provision was made by the deceased for care and support of the said children.

Your petitioner therefore prays your honors to select some suitable person as guardian of their persons & estate & the will pray &c.

her
Sally X Gaumer
mark

Attest
(Signed) F. M. Kimmell

I also pray the court that I may be permitted to select a guardian.

his
Peter X Gaumer
mark

Attest
(Signed) F. M. Kimmell

Certified under my hand and seal
this 4th day of May, 1945

Elmer J. Shipley
Register of Wills & Clerk O.C.

Per Martha S. Meyer
Deputy

Sarah Ann Gaumer, dau of Charles and Sarah Gaumer was b. in Somerset Co., Pa., Oct. 7, 1844 (Births & Baptisms of Somerset Co., Pa., by Dr. E. C. Saylor, p. 141)

p.14: I. Baltzer Meese and Anna Maria Baker were m. in Lancaster, Pa., April 1, 1783

MISS - Balsar, s. of the dece. Filip Miss, and Anna, d. of the decd. Christofel Becker, April 1, 1783. (From Marriage Records of Rev. John Waldschmidt, 1752-1786, in Lancaster. Penn. Archives, 6th Ser., v.6, pages 207 and 242)

I JOHN ERNST FREDERICK BOSSEMEYER, b. in Prussia, Germany, July 24, 1814; emigrated to America about 1830 with older sister Christine; d. Dixon, Ill., Feb. 10, 1884
m (1) May 19, 1844, Hannah Myers of Philadelphia, b. Nov. 22, 1827; d. May 7, 1847

1. Martha Ellen, b July 8, 1845; d. Dixon, Ill., March 27, 1873
m. Dixon, Ill. James S Miller

a. Charlie, d. when a child
b. Carrie, d when 28 yrs. of age in Granville, Tex.
m. -----
c. Emma Adelia, d. Frankfort, Kans., May 10, 1942
m. Theodore F. Rhodes, d. Frankfort, Kans., May 28, 1926

m. (2) Wellersburg, Pa., May 14, 1848, Hannah Gaumer, b. April 6, 1824; d Dixon, Ill., May 7, 1889

1 John Frederick, b. Pennsylvania, May 24, 1849; d. Dixon, Ill., April 1, 1888
m. Dixon, Ill., Sept. 1, 1874, Fannie Smith, b. March 15, 1858; d. Dixon, Ill., Nov. 10, 1942

a. Arthur Joseph, b Dixon, Ill., Aug 19, 1875; d. Dixon, Ill., Dec. 12, 1939
b Etta Laura, b. Dixon, Ill., Aug. 2, 1877
m. Dixon, Ill., Sept. 3, 1895, Emory E. Toot of Pennsylvania

1'. Roy John, b. Oct. 27, 1899; d. Sept. 19, 1900
2'. Gladys LaRue, b. Nov. 3, 1903
m. Leon W Miller

a' Morrison, b. Aug 3, 1931

3'. Edna Lucile, b. June 15, 1908
m. George P. Moore
4'. Irene Elizabeth, b. Dec. 13, 1910
m. Byron G Wadsworth

a'. Twins, d. in infancy
b'. Lally Lynn, b. Nov. 15, 1942

5'. Elsie Hazel, b. March 14, 1913
m Everett D Shaffer
6'. Alice Marian, b. Sept. 24, 1915; d. Dec. 8, 1934
7'. Raymond Emory, b. Nov. 11, 1917
m. Eleanor Sterling

a'. Ronald Raymond, b. June 24, 1938

c. Lester Otto, b. Dixon, Ill., Sept. 13, 1884
m. June 2, 1914, Helena Lemke
d. Nellie Hazel, b Dixon, Ill., Oct. 22, 1887
m. June 12, 1907, Gilbert Glessner

1'. Melda, b. May 3, 1910
2'. Erda, b. May 21, 1914

2. William, b. Dixon, Ill., April 16, 1851; d. Sept. 28, 1851
3. Lavinia Catherine, b. Dixon, Ill., Aug 22, 1853; d East Moline, Ill., Jan. 6, 1928
m George Washington Shoemaker, b. New York state, July 6, 1848; d. Lincoln, Neb., Nov 6, 1900; both buried in Odell, Neb., cemetery

a. Frederick Washington, b Dixon, Ill., Oct 17, 1877; d. Denver, Col., Dec. 27, 1917; buried at Odell, Neb
m. Dixon, Ill , July 27, 1904, Mary Elizabeth Shaffer, b. of Edmund and Anna (Emert) Shaffer, Somerset, Pa., Aug. 31, 1877; d. Odell, Neb., March 13, 1930

1'. Lester Edmund, b. Odell, Neb., June 24, 1905
m. Wellington, W Va., Aug. 30, 1934, Ellen Schleif

a'. Lester Edmund, Jr., b. Orange, N.J., Aug. 27, 1938
b'. Mary Ellen, b. New Jersey, July 1, 1943

2'. Malcolm George, b. Odell, Neb., April 2, 1907
m. East Springfield, Mass., July 11, 1933, Clara Paash

a'. Ronald Dean, b. July 11, 1936; d. Nov. 27, 1937

3'. Melda Ethel, b. Odell, Neb., Dec. 1, 1908

4'. Roy Richard, b. Odell, Neb., Sept. 5, 1910
m. Klamath Falls, Ore., Oct. 20, 1931, Muriel Hall, b. in Oregon July 8 (?), 1910

a'. Joan Elizabeth, b. Klamath Falls, Ore., Oct. 12, 1937

b'. Donald LeRoy, b. June 14, 1941

4 Laura Ann, b. Dixon, Ill., Sept. 29, 1854; d. Boise, Ida., Dec. 2, 1922
m. Dixon, Ill., July 6, 1876, George Edward Knepper, b. of Jonathan and Margaret (Meese) Knepper in Somerset Co., Pa., Aug. 7, 1849; d. Salmon, Ida., Jan. 7, 1940; both buried at Boise, Ida.

a. Lolo Margaret, b. Lena, Ill., May 25, 1878

b. Laura May, b. Peoria, Ill., Feb. 29, 1880

c. Burton Edward, b. Peoria, Ill., Sept. 2, 1881; d. Feb. 22, 1884; buried at Dixon, Ill.

d. Edith Flora, b. Peoria, Ill., Jan. 14, 1884
m. Jamestown, N.D., June 30, 1910, Herman William Busse, b. of Frederick and Bernhardine (Steinmeyer) Busse, May 21, 1877

1'. Margaret Bernhardine (adopted), b. Nov. 9, 1916
m. Seattle, Wash., Sept. 6, 1942 Frederick Robert Young, b. of Archie Roy and Anna (Matthiesen) Young, Feb. 13, 1918

e. Ralph Bertel, a twin, b. Peoria, Ill., Feb. 19, 1886
m. (1) Highland, Kans., Aug. 8, 1908, Hester A. Moore, b. Feb. 22, 18--; d. Moscow, Ida., May 1, 1912

1'. Hester Elizabeth, b. Moscow, Ida., April 23, 1912
m. Salmon, Ida., May 16, 1932, John Frederick Hull, b. of Charles Melvin and Olive Carolyn (Flood) Hull, April 8, 1908

a'. Ralph Edward Hull, b. Northfork, Ida., Dec. 31, 1932

b'. Judith Carolyn, b. Salmon, Ida., Feb. 17, 1934

m. (2) Moscow, Ida., June 9, 1918, Winifred Calkins, b. May 4, 18--

1'. John Edward Knepper, b. Moscow, Ida., May 6, 1920
m. Seattle, Wash., Oct. 5, 1943, Hilda Jeanne Koon, b. of Howard Thomas and ----- (-----) Koon

f. Myrtle Elizabeth, a twin, b. Peoria, Ill., Feb. 19, 1886
m. Washington, D.C., May 13, 1918, Willibald Weniger, b. of Heinrich Wilhelm and Caroline (Taubert) Weniger, Milwaukee, Wis., June 20, 1884 (See Heinrich Wilhelm Weniger)

1'. George Edward, b. Boise, Ida., Aug. 26, 1919

g. Ethel Josephine, b. Winona, Minn., Aug. 25, 1889; d. Boise, Ida., Aug. 20, 1923

5 Mary Jane, b. Dixon, Ill., Jan. 14, 1857; d. April 19, 19--; buried at Dexter, Maine.
m. Wallace Bemis of Dexter, Maine, d. 1937; buried at Parkman, Maine

6. Charles Benjamin, b. Dixon, Ill., Aug. 14, 1859;
   d Dixon, Ill., July 24, 1884
   m. Alicia Hart

   a Charles Luther
      m. Blanche -----

7. George Lincoln, b. Dixon, Ill., June 9, 1861;
   d. Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 1, 1932
   m. Cora Swaim, d Los Angeles, Calif.
8. Lydia, b. Dixon, Ill., May 8, 1863; buried at Dixon
   m. Austin Weed

   a. Eric
   b. Norton

9. Ada Lucinda, b Dixon, Ill., March 8, 1867

I. CHRISTINE BOSSEMEYER, b. Prussia, Germany; emigrated to America about 1830 with younger brother, J.E.F. Bossemeyer
m. Ernest Stilley of Philadelphia, who d. Gormania, W.Va , March 4, 1905

1. Christine, d. 1938
m Benjamin Harvey of Gormania, W.Va.

a Eliot
b. John
c. Maggie
d. George W.

I. ----- BOSSEMEYER brother of J.E.F. Bossemeyer; b. in Germany
m. -----

1. Son, who emigrated to Connecticut, then returned to Germany
2. Daughter, who emigrated to Connecticut, then returned to Germany
3 Ernest, b. Oldenburg, Westphalia, Germany, Jan. 18, 1838; emigrated to Dixon, Ill., in 1853, when 16 yrs of age; worked for his Uncle J.E.F. Bossemeyer until he was 21, to pay for his passage, $90; moved to Nebraska in 1884
m. Anna Ackerman of Poleta, Ill., b. 1843 (?)

a. Elizabeth, b. 1863 (?)
m. ----- Marshall
b. Henry L. B., b. 1867; moved to Arkansas
m. -----

1'. Son, 21 in 1915
2'. Son, 16 in 1915
3'. Daughter, 9 in 1915

c. Ernest, Jr
d Frank
e. Harry L.
f. Paul, 29 in 1915

I. ----- BOSSEMEYER, Germany
m -----

1 Ernest
2. Maurice
3. August
4. Henry
5. William
6. -----
7. Frederick August of Teklinburg, d. 1864 (?)
m. (1) -----

a. August, a tailor
b. Maria
m. ----- Zeller, a chimney sweep

m. (2) Christine Hildebrand of Lengrich, who after the death of her husband came to Cincinnati, Ohio (where a brother was living) in 1865, with her two sons; d. 1891

a. Dau, who d. when a child
b. Henry L., a cigarmaker; b. Germany; d. Cincinnati, Ohio, 1934
m. -----

1'. William
2'. Alice
3'. Mayme
4'. Christine
5'. Edwin

c. William Ludwig, a woodcarver; b. Osnabrueck, Germany; d. Cincinnati, Ohio, 1922
m. -----, d. 1916

1'. Christine, m.
2'. Marie, m.
3'. Frederick, m.
4'. Louise, m.
5'. Ella
6'. Amanda
7'. William, m.
8'. Donald (twin), m.
9'. Violette (twin), m.

I. CHARLES GAUMER, b. Dec. 16, 1795; d. Nov. 14, 1860
m. (1) -----

1. John, b. Wellersburg, Pa., Sept. 29, 1818; d. Feb. 12, 1880
m. (1) Wellersburg, July 6, 1838, Sarah Myers, b. Feb. 14, 1820; d. July 6, 1840

m. (2) Wellersburg, Sept. 3, 1848, Delilah Kennell, b. April 13, 1823; d. May 12, 1874

a. George
b. Charles, d. May 11, 1930
m. (1) -----

1'. Pearl,
m. ----- Lowery
2'. Mayme,
m. ----- Sturtz
3'. -----
m. Ward Turner

m. (2) Agnes Shoemaker

1'. Samuel E.
2'. Harvey Edward, b. 1887 (?); d. Nov. 16, 1941
m. Mary Elizabeth Burley

a'. Harvey M.
m. -----

1". Mary Lou
2". Charles J.
3". Nellie
4". Emma Lee

m. (2) Wellersburg, 1823, Justina -----

1. Hannah, b. April 6, 1824; d. Dixon, Ill., May 7, 1889
m. Wellersburg, Pa., May 14, 1848, J.E F. Bossemeyer, q.v.
2. Susanna, b. Wellersburg, April 6, 1829

m. (3) Oct. 4, 1831, Sally Shumaker, dau of Peter Shumaker, b. June 13, 1800; d. March 31, 1900 (?)

I. HENRY GLESSNER, probably a brother of the Jacob Glässner who came to America in 1763; b. in Germany; d. Somerset Co., Pa., 1813 or 1814
m. Anna Elizabeth Adam, b. May 23, 1740; d. March 12, 1802
(Henry and Anna are both buried in the cemetery of the Reformed Church of Berlin, Pa.)

1. Maria Margaretha, b. 1767; d. March 29, 1839
   m. June 22, 1790, Ludwig Baker, b. April 4, 1766; d. May 2, 1840
2. Ana Maria, b. July 6, 1768; d. May 13, 1847
   m. Jan. 28, 1788, John Knepper, son of Gottfried and Catherine Knepper. (See Gottfried Knepper)
3. Peter, never married
4. Nicholas
   m. ----- Humbird or Humbert, Milford Twp., Somerset Co.
5. Henry
   m. in 1798 Martha Swigart
6. Jacob, b. July 3, 1776; d. April 10 1865
   m. Nov. 9, 1802 Margaret Young, daughter of the Rev. George Young of Hagerstown, Md ; d. April, 1863
7. Maria Elizabeth, b March 3, 1779; d. May 17, 1786
8. John Engle, b. June 27, 1781; confirmed April 21, 1799

I. GOTTFRIED KNEPPER, b. in Germany; settled in Brothersvalley, Pa., about 1770; was one of the 20 founders of Berlin, Pa., d. Somerset Co., Pa.
m. Catherine Schneider

1. John, b. March 7, 1765; d. July 14, 1817 (Mar. --, 1817, on tombstone incorrect?); buried in Berlin, Pa.
m in Brothersvalley Twp., Bedford Co., Pa., Jan 28, 1788, Ana Maria Glessner, b. of Henry and Anna Elizabeth (Adam) Glessner, July 6, 1768; d. May 13, 1847; buried in Berlin, Pa.

a. Elizabeth, b. Feb. 3, 1789; d. July 10, 1875
m. Jacob Hauger

b. Catherine, b. June 11, 1790; d. March 11, 1852
m. Peter Hay

c. William, b. Jan. 2, 1792; d.
m. Dec. 20, 1815, Pheobe Crawford, who died 17 yrs before William

d. Ana Maria (Polly), b. Nov. 2, 1793; d. 1852
m. Henry Haas

e. John, b. Oct. 13, 1795; d. Dec. 30, 1857
m. Elizabeth Stahl

f. Jacob, b. Sept. 4, 1797; d. Nov. 14, 1859
m. Margaret Schrock (Moved to Missouri)

g. Ludwig, b. Dec. 26, 1799; d. Feb. 16, 1888
m April 16, 1825, Susanna Burkhart, b. July 7, 1801; d. Sept. 28, 1890

h. Peter, b. March 4, 1802; d. July 12, 1870
m. Berlin, Pa., Jan. 17, 1830, Adaline Lane

i. Jonathan, b. in Somerset Co., Pa., July 20, 1804; d. April 20, 1894; buried at Dixon, Ill.
m. Margaret Meese, b. of George and Lydia (Penrod) Meese, March 4, 1815; d Sept. 9, 1877; buried at Dixon, Ill.

1'. Elenora, b. Sept. 10, 1834; d. March 21, 1921
m. Eli Shaffer

2'. Charles Ogle, b. Oct. 20, 1836; d. Feb. 27, 1899, at Lewiston, Ida.
m. Grace Dunnell, d. Jan. 29, 1933, at Monrovia, Calif.

a'. Mabel Grace
b'. Edmund Elnathan
c'. Florence Winnifred

3'. John Henry, b. May 28, 1838; d. March 10, 1917, at Wahoo, Neb
m. Alice Batchelder

4'. Anna Eliza, b. Feb. 27, 1840; d. Oct. 11, 1916
m. Charles LeMaster

5'. George, b. Dec. 1, 1841; d. Dec. --, 1841

6'. Martha Jane, b. May 23, 1843; d. Feb. 2, 1862

7'. Jacob Alexander, b. May 16, 1846; d. Nov. 26, 1919
m. Hattie Stahl

8'. Catherine Elizabeth, b. July 25, 1847; d.
m. Charles A Geeting

9'. George Edward, b. Somerset Co., Pa., Aug. 7, 1849; d. Jan. 7, 1940, in Salmon, Ida.
m. Dixon, Ill., July 6, 1876, Laura Ann Bossemeyer (See Bossemeyer, J E.F)

10'. Samuel Huston, b. Nov. 13, 1852; d. in Moscow, Ida , Jan. 15, 1932
m. Matilda Duke, b. Iowa City, Ia., Jan. 28, 1859; d. Tacoma, Wn., March 29, 1943

a'. Earl
b'. Florence
c'. Mary

11'. Emma Frances Adaline, b. Dec. 11, 1856
m. Henry Glass

j. George, b. Dec. 12, 1806; d. May 9, 1882
m. (1) Theresa Wegley
(2) Mattie Ambrose

k. Simon, b. May 5, 1809; d. Dec. 22, 1856
m. Nancy Wertz, b. May 13, 1812; d. Feb. 25, 1894

l. Henry, b. Aug. 25, 1812; d. Aug. 2, 1879
m. (1) Sarah A. Carnes (divorced)
(2) ----- Auchinbach (a divorcee)

m. Benjamin, b. Sept. 10, 1816; d. Oct. 3, 1905 (Pastor of Wellersburg, Pa., Charge 1846-1901)
m. May 20, 1838, Catherine Hay

2. William, emigrated to Circlesville, Ohio, some time after 1805?
m. April 3, 1792, Elizabeth Lindersmith, dau. of Joseph Lindersmith

a. Daniel, b. --- 1798; bapt. Aug. 5, 1798
m. Elizabeth -----
b. Anna Catherine, b. April 26, 1800
m. Benjamin Lindersmith
c. Jacob, b. Oct. 9, 1802
m Mary Morgan
d. William, b. May 25, 1805; d. 1880, Clear Springs, Md
m. H R. Hower
e. Godfrey (went west?)
f. Elizabeth
m. Abiga McLean
g. Joseph
m. Priscilla Hartsock
h. Nancy
m. James Frantz
i. Peter
m. Sara Frantz

3. Godfrey, settled in Cambria Co., Pa.
m. (1) Betsey Stoler

a. John, b. Sept. 18, 1788 (?)
b. Polly (Ana Maria?)
c. Betsy

m. (2) Mary Shoup (ancestors from Holland)

a. Margaret
b. Susana
c. Eva
d. Anna
e. Abraham
f. Joseph
g. William

(See also Genealogy of the Knepper Family in the U. S., 1681-1911)

I. BALTZER MEESE, b. Lancaster Co., Pa., March 20, 1756; d. Somerset Co., Pa., May 15, 1838 (Private in the Revolution)
m Ana Maria Baker, b. Lancaster Co., Pa., May 30, 1756; d. Somerset Co., Pa., Feb. 11, 1838

1. John
m. -----

a. Dau, m. Henry Glotfelty
b Dau, m. Peter L. Miller
c. Solomon

2 Christian
m. ----- Faidley, dau of Adam and Eve Faidley

a. Baltzer C.
b. Daniel C.
c. Samuel C.
d. Gillian C., d. 1916; m. twice
e. Christian Jr.
f. William
g. Mary, m. Hon. Hiram Findley
h. Ann, m. John (?) Smith; lived in Cumberland, Md

3 Daniel
4 Sarah, m Christian Forney (she died before her father)
5. Lydia, m. Benjamin Griffith
6. Margaret
m. (1) John Keagey (d.) They had several children, the eldest: Anthony
m. (2) David Steele of Salisbury. They moved to Ohio about 1840

a. Daniel Steele, d. about 1854

7. George, b. July 30, 1785; d. Feb. 27, 1851
m. July 7, 1807, Lydia Penrod, b. of John and Sarah (Davis) Penrod April 14, 1785; d. Jan. 3, 1860 George and Lydia are buried in the Reformed Cemetery in Somerset, Pa. Lydia was the last survivor of her family.

a. Elijah, b April 25, 1808
b. John, b June 27, 1809; d. Sept. 4(?), 1849
c. Nancy, b June 2, 1811
m. April 16, 1833, Samuel Huston
d Nellie, b. April 8, 1813; d. July 11, 1816

e. Margaret, b. March 14, 1815; d. Sept. 20, 1877
m. Jonathan Knepper (See Gottfried Knepper)

f. George, b. March 11, 1817; d. Sept. 3, 1818

g George D., b Dec. 12, 1818
m Jan. 26, 1845, Catherine Auting (or Auling)

h Alexander O., b. Feb. 26, 1821
m. Nov. 10, 1844, Elsa Miller

i. Kesiah, b. March 14, 1823
m. March 17, 1842, Hiram Will of Dixon, Pa.

j Adaline, b. April 18, 1825; d. March 18, 1915
m. Feb. 24, 1848, Philip Smith

k. Charles O., b. March 22, 1827
m. June 29, 1848, Leah Muehlhouse

l. Louisa, b. March 28, 1831; d. March 20, 1915
m. Henry Walter. They had 5 children, the youngest being O. K. Walter of Somerset, Pa.

I JOHN PENROD (1st)
m. -----

1 John (2nd)
m. Sarah Davis, b. Franklin Co., Pa., Oct. 17, 1748 (?); d Somerset Co., Pa., May 9, 1836, aged 87 (?) yrs, 6 mo., 22 days.

a. John (3rd), drowned in a mill dam near Somerset early in life
b. Lydia, b. April 14, 1785; d.
m. July 7, 1807, George Meese (See Baltzer Meese)
c Isaac (Israel?)
d. David
e Elijah
f. Beulah
m. (1) ----- Hentzell
(2) ----- Shaffer
g. Sarah
m. ----- Sample; removed to Ohio
h. Polly
m. (1) John Bateman
(2) ----- McCobb (?); removed to Ohio
i. Amy, b. 1783; d. in Grantsville, Md., in 1858
m. Samuel Brown of Chester Co., Pa., who d in 1829; removed to Ohio (?)

1' Hanson
2' Eli
3'. John
4'. Henry
5'. George
6'. Lydia
m. Reuben Kemp
7' Sally
8' Jacob, a lawyer, who lived to be 90. He lost one arm when a boy

2 Daughter
m. John Vansel (or Wencell)

I. HEINRICH WILHELM WENIGER, b. Rabishau, Lower Silesia, Germany, May 28, 1854; d. Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 5, 1902; came to the U.S. in 1877
m. in Milwaukee, Caroline Taubert, b. Trebnitz, Mark Brandenburg, Germany, Oct. 25, 1856; d. Salem, Ore., Oct. 25, 1944

1. Gottlieb Johann Willibald, b. Milwaukee, Wis., June 20, 1884
m. Washington, D.C., May 13, 1918, Myrtle Elizabeth Knepper, b. of George Edward and Laura Ann (Bossemeyer) Knepper. (See J.E.F. Bossemeyer)

a. George Edward, b. Boise, Ida., Aug. 26, 1919

2. Wanda Loraine, b. Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 5, 1895
m. Fargo, N D , July 30, 1925, William Edward Brentzel, b. Kelso, Mo., March 27, 1889

a. Edward Reese, b. Fargo, N.D., Nov. 21, 1927
b. John, b. Fargo, N.D., Dec. 16, 1937; d. Dec. 16, 1937

NOTES

The Glessner ancestors in Europe are found in Belgium, France Switzerland and Germany They were the original Glass makers The oldest glass models extant, dating back to the 16th century are goblets and tankards, with the family Coat of Arms enameled and engraved upon them In Belgium the name is spelled Glessener and in France Glassmere (Dr E C Saylor Berlin Pa)

233) Oct 5 1763 Ship Richmond, Charles Young Husband Captain from Rotterdam last from Portsmouth.- 162 passengers JACOB GLASSNER (See also Egle) (Rupp 30,000 Immigrants... p. 353)

254) Oct. 13, 1766. Ship Betsey, John Osmond, Master, from Rotterdam, last of Cowes.- 154 passengers. JOHANNES GELESSENER. (Rupp. 30,000 Immigrants... p. 375)

Dec. 10, 1777, Jacob Glessner received his Commission as 2nd Lieutenant in the Third Company, Brothersvalley Militia. (Pa. Archives, 5th Series, Vol. V., p. 65)

Jacob Glessner was an elder in the Reformed Church of Berlin, Pa Pastor Cyriacus Spangenberg, a Hessian, stabbed Elder Jacob Glessner when the latter during a congregational meeting, March 19, 1794, accused the pastor of being unfit morally for his ministerial post. Jacob died from the effects of the stabbing March 21st Spangenberg was arrested, convicted and hanged in Bedford, Pa., Sept. 11, 1795, the first criminal executed in Bedford County. (History of Bedford and Somerset County. Vol.I, 85, and Vol II, 535)

Anthony Stiegel, brother of "Baron" Henrich Stiegel, maker of the famous Stiegel glass, married a Maria Glessner. (From "One Red Rose Forever," by Mildred Jordan N.Y , Knopf, 1941)

"The Bible in the Reformed Church, which lies on the black cloth, was presented to the Congregation by old Henry Glessner as a memorial. (Note) This Bible is still in good state of preservation " (From "Births and Baptisms of Somerset Co , Pa ," by E C Saylor. Vol.I, p. 168) This Henry was the father of Ana Maria Glessner, who married John Knepper. (See Gottfried Knepper and Henry Glessner)

"Brothersvalley Township Bedford County and state of Pennsylvania January the twenty Eight 1788.

"These are therefore to Certify all whom it may concern That for the Consumation of the marriage of John Son of Godfrey Knepper with Anna Mary Glessner Daughter of Henry Glessner met togather at the House of the said Henry Glessners on the Day and year above written In a Publick assembly met togather for that End and Purpose And the said John Knepper Standing up in the said Assembly and Taking the said Anna Mary Glessner by the hand Declared as followeth

"Be you my witnesses that I take this Anna-Mary Glessner to be my true and Lawfull Wife - Promissing through God's assistance to be unto her a true and loving Husband until it Please God by Death to Separate us: And the said Anna-Mary Glessner did in like manner declare that she took the said John Knepper to be her Husband Promising to be unto him a faithful and obedient wife till it Please God by Death to separate them And for a farther Confirmation thereof She according to the Custom of Marriage assuming the Sirname of her Husband - And we whose names are hereunto Subscribed being witnesses to the said Marriage and Subscription have here unto Set Our hands the Day and year first above written -

John Knepper
Her
Anna Mary X Knepper
Mark

William Knepper
His
Ludwig X Shitz
Mark

Jacob Gibler

Abraham Cable Esq.
Henry Glessner
Her
Anna Elizabeth X Glessner
Mark
Dr. John Kimmel
John M. Luelling
Robert Philson
Joseph Kimmel
James MaQuilling
Godfrey Knepper
Her
Anna Mary X Glessner
Mark
Her
Margaretta X Glessner
Mark
Her
Elizabeth X Shitzen
Mark
Her
Mary X Kuntz
Mark
Her
Mary X Sheetz
Mark

Her
Mary Elizabeth X Glessner
Mark
Her
Ana Catherine X Sheetz
Mark
Her
Elizabeth X Giblirin
Mark

Witnesses to said Marriage." (From Genealogy of the Knepper Family in the United States. 1681 - 1911. Forsyth, Mo., 1911)

The twenty original founders of Berlin, Pa., about 1770:

Altfather, Frederick
Beyer, Michael
Belger, Michael
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Faust, Nicklus
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(Peter Wingert settled in Brothersvalley about 1768)

198) Sept. 17, 1753. Ship Richard and Mary, John Moore, Commander, from Rotterdam, last from Cowes. J. GOTTFRIED KNAPPER. (Rupp. 30,000 Immigrants... p. 307)

John Penrod (1st) was in the Somerset, Pa., region as a hunter or trapper as early as 1770. He located on a tract of land about three miles south of Somerset, Pa. His son John (2nd) left his family and went to Henderson County, Kentucky, dying there. He visited Somerset County only once His wife and family were left in possession of the homestead George Meese in 1813 bought the farm of John Penrod (2nd), his father-in-law, for $3000. (Letter of Dr E C. Saylor, Berlin, Pa.)

Penrods in Pennsylvania Census for 1790:

p. 25	David	1 - 5 - 2	Bedford Co.
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83) Sept 26, 1741. Palatines imported in the ship St. Mark, ----- Wilson, Master, from Rotterdam, last from Cowes. MARTIN BECKER (Baker?); PHILIP MEES.

Martin Becker and Philip Mees both settled in Lancaster County, Lebanon Township, Pa. Martin, in the 1790 Census for Pennsylvania, had a family of 7 females.

Philip Meese's will, made in Lancaster County Sept. 28, 1760, probated March 2, 1761, mentions his wife, Agnes Lovias (Louisa?), his eldest son George and "the small children." Whether Baltzer Meese was one of the "small children" is not known

Ana Maria Baker (Becker?) and Baltzer Meese, whom she married, were both born in Lancaster County. Ana Maria had two brothers, Jacob and Peter, and at least two sisters, who died in Somerset Co., unmarried. From them came the "Baker Estate."

A Thomas Meese served in the Revolution from Lancaster County.

Baltzer Meese saw five years of military service in the Revolution, 1776-1781, participating in the battle of Long Island, August 27, 1776, and the battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Blockhouse on the North River, Monmouth and White Horse. He served under Capt. Lewis Farmer (Col. Samuel Miles), Col. Walter Stewart, Capt. Patrick Anderson, Capt. John Stoy. See Penn. Archives, 5th Series, vol.2, p. 417,420,882; vol.4, p.120,582. Also, U S Pension Certificate 8458 (Prior to Act of 1818?); Pennsylvania in the Revolution, pub. by State of Penn., vol.1, p. 261; Papers on file in the Pension Claim, S.40152. (Vet. Bur.) Myrtle Elizabeth (Knepper) Weniger, National D.A.R. Number: 310,498.

Heinrich Wilhelm Weniger was a cabinet-maker in Germany and had four brothers and two sisters: Oscar, Max, Carl, Robert, Anna and Emma. Caroline Taubert was a deaconess in the Lutheran Church in Germany and also in Brazil, before coming to the U S

45) Sept 10, 1737. Palatines imported in the ship Snow Molly, John Howell, Master, from Amsterdam, last from Dover.- In all 95. Christophel Gomer; Johan Adam Gomer. (Rupp. 30,000 Immigrants.. p. 106)

John Dietrich Gaumer Sr. was born in Germany Jan 12, 1722. He came to America and settled in that part of Northampton County, Pa., which later became Lehigh Co., in Macungie Township. He may have been a son of either Christophel (Christopher, Christiper) Gomer (Gommer) or Johan Adam Gomer (Gommer), who landed at Philadelphia in 1737. If so, he would have been 15 years of age at that time and so not included in the ship's lists. Children under 16 were usually not listed. John Dietrich Gaumer Sr. married

(1) Catherine Egner (Eigner) and they were living in Macungie Township, Lehigh County, in 1745. They had one son, Mathias. Catherine was a daughter of Johan Mathias Egner (Eigner).

After the death of his first wife, John Dietrich Sr. married (2) Mary Elizabeth Meinert, daughter of Friederich and Eva Maria Meinert, who was born in 1730. John Dietrich Sr. died Sept. 22, 1794, and Mary Elizabeth Jan. 7, 1802 and they are buried in the Zions Union Cemetery near Allentown, Pa. Johan Mathias Egner and John Dietrich Gaumer Sr. were two of the founders of the Lutheran Church about 1745, which was called Zions Union Church and later Lehigh Church. Following are the children of this second marriage:

1. John, a twin, b. March 12, 1750
2. John Frederick, a twin, b. March 12, 1750
3. John Henry, b. Dec. 4, 1754
4. John Jacob, b. about 1756; bapt. July 30, 1756, a twin?
5. John George, b. about 1756; bapt. Oct. 10, 1756, a twin? d. 1756?
6. Mary Catherine, b. 1758; d. 1773 (bapt. Oct. 22, 1758)
7. John Dietrich Jr., b. 1760; bapt. at home Jan. 1, 1761
8. Gertrude, b. July 3, 1763; m. Henry Meitzler
9. John Adam, b. 1766; bapt. May 11, 1766; m. Regina -----
10. Elizabeth, b. 1768; m. Henry Shankweiler; moved to Genesee Co., N.Y.
11. Peter, b Oct. 13, 1770; bapt. Aug. 9, 1771; d. 1773
?12. Jacob, b. Nov. 21, 1773 (mentioned in J.D.G.'s will)

John Mathias Egner (Eigner) arrived in Philadelphia on the third ship on record in the lists of arrivals of Germans at that port. He was born in 1693 and died June 20, 1771. He settled first in Lancaster Co., Pa., where his sons John and Mathias were baptized in 1733 and 1735 by the Rev. John Caspar Stoever. As early as 1739 he secured a warrant for land in Macungie Township, Northampton (later Lehigh) Co., where he lived until his death He and his wife Anna Elizabeth had the following children: John, b. June 15, 1733; Mathias, b. June 29, 1735; Ludwig; Henry, b. Jan. 8, 1739; Anna Elizabeth, b. May 10, 1741; Peter; and Catherine, who married John Dietrich Gaumer Sr.

3) Sept. 30, 1727. Seventy Palatines with their families, about three hundred persons, imported in the ship Molley, John Hodgeson, Master, from Rotterdam, last from Deal, appeared, repeated and signed the Declaration.-Col.Rec. III. 287. JOH. MATHEIS EGENER. (Rupp. 30,000 Immigrants... p. 53)

The following sons of John Dietrich Gaumer Sr. served in the Revolution: Mathias, John, John Frederick, John Henry, John Jacob, and John Dietrich Jr. (See Penn. Archives). Several of the Pennsylvania Egners also served in the Revolution.

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